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John Ellis, et al.

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Applicant hereby **appeals** to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the examiner.

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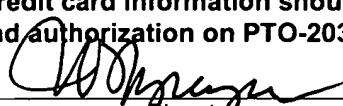
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